

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This amendment is respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated July 12, 2005.

I. Introduction

Claims 2-8, 11-13 and 16-26 are pending. Applicants have amended claims 2, 3, 6, 7, 11, 16, 18, 19 and 25 to more distinctly claim the subject matter Applicant's regard as the invention.

In the Office Action the Examiner rejected 19, 20 and 23-25 as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,034,993 to Norrell. In addition, the Examiner rejected claims 21, 22 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Norrell and further in view of obviousness to one skilled in the art. In addition, the Examiner rejected claims 2-7 and 16-18 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No 6,452,987 to Larsson et al. in view of U.S. Patent 6,816,548 to Shiue et al. In addition, the Examiner rejected claims 8, 11 and 13 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Larsson et al., in view of Shiue et al. and further in view of U.S. Patent 6,246,717 to Chen. With respect to claim 12, the Examiner rejected this claim under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Larsson et al., in view of Shiue et al., and Chen et al. in further view of Norrell et al.

II. The Pending Claims Are Patentable

Applicants have amended the claims so that they now clearly distinguish over the applied references whether considered alone or in combination. The amendments to the claims are supported by Fig. 7 and elsewhere in the application.

As can be seen in Fig. 7, the buffer follows the Fourier transform circuit and is used to buffer the input to the jitter compensation filter of the present invention. This arrangement differs significantly from the applied references. Notably, the buffer used in the present invention is not an input buffer which precedes the Fourier transform but rather a buffer which facilitates jitter compensation performed in accordance with the invention.

In view of the amendments to the claims, it is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims are patentable over the applied references.

III. Interview Request

Applicants undersigned representative hereby requests an interview with the Examiner to discuss the pending claims prior to issuance of a new office action if, after consideration of the present amendment the Examiner intends to maintain any of the outstanding rejections.


IV. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants request that the Examiner pass this application to issue.

If there are any outstanding issues which need to be resolved to place the application in condition for allowance **the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative by phone to discuss and hopefully resolve said issues.** To the extent necessary, a petition for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made and any required fee is authorized to be charged to the deposit account of Straub & Pokotylo, deposit account number 50-1049.

Respectfully submitted,

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